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### **Presents Pre-AP Professional Development**

All workshops begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m., lunch will be served at each location. OPI credit will be available. Registration Deadline is April 1, 2006, space is limited, please register early!

### Workshop I: May 1, 2006: Strategies in English-Rhetoric

This one-day workshop is designed to help teachers understand the classical art of rhetoric in its two senses: language as crafted for an audience; and the ability to find, evaluate, and use all of the available tools of language to achieve a purpose or an effect in a given situation. Participants will learn effective techniques by engaging in activities that will enable them to teach their students important rhetorical theory principles—such as the importance of the unstated assumption in both the creation and analysis of arguments, the nature of arrangement, and relation of style to form—that underlie the effectiveness of excellent writers and support the clear thinking and sound judgment of successful readers.

This workshop will be held for 1 day at the Quality Inn, Overland Ave. Billings, MT

### Workshop II: May 5, 2006: Topics for AP Vertical Teams in English

Through a series of hands-on activities and group discussions in this one-day workshop, participants learn how an AP Vertical Team in English can be centered around and driven by content, such as strategies for fiction and nonfiction. They will understand the benefits of a streamlined and connected curriculum for both teachers and students. An overview of the AP English Literature and AP English Language Exams will be provided. Topics addressed include literary analysis, analytic strategies for nonfiction, and team decision making.

This workshop will be held for 1 day at the Quality Inn, 4 B's Conference Center, Brooks St., Missoula, MT

# Workshop III: May 10-11: Strategies in Mathematics-Helping Students Learn Mathematics Through Problem Solving

This two-day workshop provides strategies for designing and using meaningful investigations, writing dynamic problems, and enhancing current classroom activities so that students will develop deeper understanding and produce more thoughtful responses. Teachers will gain an understanding of how successful students learn and how to develop those skills in others, as well as how to build relevant, informative assessments that allow teachers to monitor and foster mathematical thinking without interrupting instruction. The general themes of this workshop include designing multiple-access problems, developing mathematical literacy, and improving mathematical communication.

This workshop will be held for 2 days at the Holiday Inn, Baxter Lane, Bozeman, MT

#### Workshop IV: July 13: Growing an AP Program: A Workshop for Administrators

This workshop provides an in-depth survey of effective ways to start and support an AP® program. Beginning with a review of the benefits of the Advanced Placement Program® for schools, this workshop explores ways that administrators can provide support for their AP teachers and students. In addition, this workshop helps administrators learn how to use data effectively to promote equitable growth and provides tools for assessing the strengths and weaknesses of existing AP programs, with an emphasis on areas of future growth. Finally, the workshop covers specific administrative topics, such as models for obtaining financial support from community organizations; effective school policies (grade weighting, setting expectations for exam-taking); and effective use of block schedules to offer AP courses. Last day to register for this session is June 1.

This workshop will be held for 1 day at MSU-B in Billings, MT

There is no registration fee for Montana teachers or administrators. Montana teachers may be eligible for grant funding to cover travel costs for this workshop. Contact Kathy Mollohan at OPI for information concerning travel expenses, kathym@state.mt.us.

Please complete the form on the reverse side and mail to the address shown.



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## **Pre-AP Workshop Registration Form**

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